What is with,
These two...
NAOHITO!
ARE YOU OKAY!?
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REINFORCE-MENTS... THAT'S NOT GOOD.
...!
I really am out of power...
Nothing I can do against them...
SEEMS LIKE IT'S TIME TO TAKE MY LEAVE...
THERE'S NOTHING MORE I CAN DO HERE...
KUZURE... NAOHITO...
We will meet again,

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The next day...
KUZURE!
OTSUNE!
HOW UNEX-PECTED!
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU SAY IN THIS SITUATION NOJA.
I CAME TO CHECK ON YOU AFTER WHAT HAPPENED YESTERDAY,
BEING SO CAREF...
...HUH? UWAH!
WHAT A MESS!

WHAT'S WRONG NOJA?
?
...
NAOHITO'S GONNA YELL AT YOU AGAAAAIN NOJA~
YOU BETTER CLEAN IT UP QUICKLY HUH~?
OTSUNE'S HERE?
WELL...
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Y-YEAH, I CAME TO SEE HOW SHE WAS DOING.
I SEE, THANKS...
ごちゃ...
...KUZURE, MAKE SURE TO CLEAN THIS UP LATER OKAY?

You made a mess again! clean it up right now!
HEY KUZURE!
NORMALLY HE'D HAVE MORE OF A...
THAT KIND OF FEELING TO HIM.
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...
NAOHITO'S ACTING ODD.
MHMMM~ HE'S ACTING KIND OF DISTANT...
I DON'T THINK IT'S JUST HIM...
MUTTER...
SHOWING HIM THAT FORM YESTERDAY...
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IT MUST BE BECAUSE KUZURE SCARES NAOHITO,

…
I'll have to.
Look into that a bit more noja...
From the window...?
カラ…
Is it Kuzure...?

HELLO.
...I WANTED TO HAVE A TALK WITH YOU.
...YOU DON'T SEEM SURPRISED?
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IT WAS SO SURPISING I FROZE.
SO, WHY DID YOU COME?
OTSUNE'S HERE TOO, IF SHE FINDS YOU THERE WILL BE TROUBLE.
I'M PRACTICALLY OUT OF POWER, SO I CAN'T DO ANYTHING.
THAT ALSO MAKES ME HARD TO SENSE.

...FIRST OFF,
HUH?
YEAH.
ME?
ALRIGHT THEN, BUT QUIETLY...
SINCE ANCIENT TIMES, THE DISASTER FOX HAS BEEN A TARGET OF DREAD,
YOU HOWEVER DO NOT SEEM TO BE AFRAID OF US,
WHY?
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WELL... THE CLOSEST ONE TO ME IS THAT.
OH, RIGHT....

BUT I CAN'T SAY I'M NOT AFRAID AT ALL THOUGH?
WHEN YOU APPEARED AND TARGETED ME...
THAT TOO!
CLOSE!
I TRIED TO HARM YOU,
YET YOU DON'T SEEM TO WANT REVENGE.
YOU COULD CALL FOR THE ONES DOWNSTAIRS, I'M WEAK AND HELPLESS,
WHY DON'T YOU?
I'M NOT SURE WHAT TO SAY~
YOU HAVE YOUR OWN GOALS TOO...
IT WAS A BIG DEAL, BUT IN THE END I WAS SAVED...
FOR ME I JUST THINK OF IT LIKE A CAR ACCIDENT.
IS THAT REALLY IT!?

IF YOU AND KUZURE ARE THE SAME, THEN,
IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE TO UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER...
I THINK...
PLUS...
AND I WOULDN'T WANT TO PUT KUZURE THROUGH THAT...
I DIDN'T... THINK OF THAT.
...I SEE,
AND YOU...?
ME...
IN THAT CASE,

WHAT,
FOR THE SAKE OF UNDERSTANDING EACH OTHER,
SHOULD WE DO...?
WHY HAVE YOU BEEN~...
OTSUNE STOP! YOU NEED TO BE DELICATE!
INVESTI-GATING IS SUCH A PAIN NOJA!
THE EASIEST WAY IS TO JUST ASK HIM DIRECTLY NOJA~

YOU!
Y-YOU'RE!
HOLD ON, WHY ARE...
DON'T BITE HER!
IMMA BITE YOU!
IT'S YOUR FAULT KUZURE SCARES NAOHITO...
YOU'RE NOT GETTING AWAY!
CALM DOWN KUZU-RE!
I'LL COME AGAIN.
...THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TODAY,
UHH~ SHE GOT AWAY...

LISTEN TO ME!
SHE KEEPS PRATTLING ON...
BY THE WAY, KUZURE,
WHAT DO YOU MEAN THAT I'M SCARED OF YOU?
UGH!
SINCE YESTERDAY, NAOHITO HAS,
BEEN ACTING ODD WITH KUZURE...
I THOUGHT YOU WERE AFRAID OF KUZURE'S POWER...
IF HE WERE SCARED HE WOULDN'T HAVE STOPPED YOU JUST NOW.
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT.
DID KUZURE... DO SOMETHING WRONG...?
...
THEN WHY NAO-HITO?
WHY HAVE YOU BEEN SO DISTANT?

NO,
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT.
IT'S MINE,
I... TOTALLY THOUGHT THAT YOU WERE GONNA KILL HER...
BUT, YOU DIDN'T,
BECAUSE IT WOULD HAVE MADE ME SAD...
I DIDN'T TRUST YOU ENOUGH...
SO I'M FINDING IT KINDA HARD TO LOOK YOU IN THE FACE...
SORRY.
HM~ SO THAT'S ALL IT WAS?
KUZURE DOESN'T MIND AT ALL!
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NAOHITO'S UNEXPECTEDLY CUTE HUH? ♪
Thank you.
MGH! WHAT ARE YOU DOING!?
SHUT UP! I WAS SERIOUSLY WORRIED ABOUT THIS!
AND THEY MADE SUCH A BIG DEAL OF IT...
But Another tai. of that disaster
What is it up to
...

IT'S HARD TO SEE, BUT I HAVE THAT PATTERN TOO.
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WHY WERE THEY NIBBLING ON YOU THOUGH?
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE FOOD...
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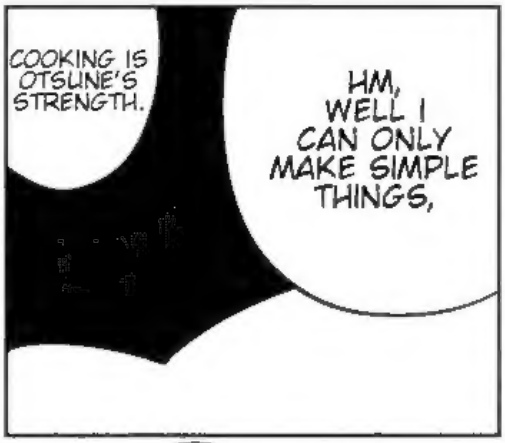
非常にショック!!
DON'T TELL ME...
HE ACTUALLY IS EMERGENCY RATIONS!?
Since then, the amount of emergency food in the house went up.

YOU KNOW, I SEE OTSUNE COOKING ALL THE TIME,
BUT I NEVER SEE YOU COOK.

YEAH, WHEN YOU LET HER COOK YOU NEVER KNOW WHAT SHE'S GONNA PUT IN IT NOJA~
SAYING WHAT-EVER YOU WANT.


HM, WELL I CAN ONLY MAKE SIMPLE THINGS,
COOKING IS OTSUNE'S STRENGTH.

MHMM, SOMETHING CHINESE WOULD BE NICE~
..SO WHAT DO YOU WANT TO EAT TODAY?
W-WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE I HATE COOKING?
Alright! Leave it to me~ ♪
She's good at using people...

IT'S DELICIOUS, YET SIMPLE WITH A GENTLE TASTE YOU NEVER GET TIRED OF EATING...
I DO LOVE YOUR COOKING?
...BUT,

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